Hayes County Board Minutes



Hayes County Commissioners September 8, 2020

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for September 8, 2020 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courthouse in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given to each Commissioner, was published in the *Times Republican* on September 3, 2020, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Unger called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. The Open Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. Those present were Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, Jeffrey Unger, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, Phil Dixon, Leon Kolbet and Dan Miller.

Christner moved, second by Richards to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

There were no comments from the public.

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the consent agenda consisting of financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Imprest Account, and the minutes of the August 11, 2020 meeting. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Dan Miller joined the meeting for the 2020-2021 budget hearings.

Chairman Unger recessed the meeting at 8:32 A.M. for the Budget Hearing. Chairman Unger closed the Budget Hearing at 8:40 A.M. and opened the Final Tax Request Hearing. The purpose of the hearings is to receive testimony in support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observation of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget. Chairman Unger asked for comments. No public comment was received. Chairman Unger closed the Final Tax Request Hearing at 8:43 A.M. and returned to the regular meeting.

Richards moved, second by Unger to adopt Resolution 2020-08.

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 8th day of September, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of COMMISSIONERS of HAYES County, Nebraska as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for HAYES County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

Dated and passed this 8TH day of September, 2020.

Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2020-09.

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST



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WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the Governing Body of the County of Hayes passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of the County of Hayes resolves that:

SECTION 1. The 2020-2021 property tax request be set at \$980,944.00.

SECTION 2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by -4.00 %.

SECTION 3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$0.204611 per \$100 of assessed value.

SECTION 4. The County of Hayes proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$0.209891 per \$100 of assessed value.

SECTION 5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the County of Hayes will exceed last year's by 9.00%.

SECTION 6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 13, 2020. Dated and passed this 8TH day of September, 2020.

Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the additional 1% increase in the restricted funds authority. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to direct Chair to sign the NIRMA Proof of Loss and Settlement Agreement regarding a hail claim occurring on the 29th day of August 2019. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Phil Dixon joined the meeting.

Chairman Unger recessed the Regular Meeting and opened the One & Six-Year Road Improvement Hearing at 9:20 A.M. The purpose of the hearing was to hear testimony regarding the proposed One & Six-Year Road Plan. No comments were received.

Chairman Unger closed the meeting at 9:25 A.M.

Richards moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2020-10, approval of the One & Six-Year Road Improvement Plan. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2020-11, signing of the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2020. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to direct Chair and Highway Superintendent to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2020. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to approve claims, excluding claim 2009044, for \$37,128.31. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to approve claim 2009044 for \$8,721.00. Roll call vote: Richards, abstain; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to approve the Treasurers Report. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.



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Unger moved, second by Richards to approve payroll for \$87,250.18. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting by Telephone. Discussion was held regarding the Viaero Fiber Networks LLC Application to Occupy Hayes County Road Right-Of-Way.

Christner moved, second by Richards to table Viaero Fiber Networks LLC Application to Occupy Hayes County Road Right-Of-Way. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to approve Paulsen Inc and State of Nebraska claims in the amount of \$5,762.08. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Pursuant to publication requirements of § 23-122 the following is a list of Hayes County job titles and current salaries.

Job Title	Salaries	
Commissioners	\$20,315.04	Yr
Sheriff	\$49,849.20	Yr
Pt-time Law Enforcement	\$28.50	Hr
Treasurer	\$49,849.20	Yr
Treasurer Office Assistant	\$20.00	Hr
Ex-Officio Clerk	\$49,849.20	Yr
Ex-Officio Deputy	\$35,891.40	Yr
Clerk Office Assistant	\$17.06	Hr
Extension Office	\$28,275.00	Yr
Attorney	\$34,257.89	Yr
Child Support Enforcement	\$3,060.00	Yr
Attorney Secretary	\$15.75	Hr
Road Dept Employee	\$17.35	Hr
PT Road Employee	\$17.35	Hr
Zoning Administrator	\$1,800.00	Yr
Zoning Administrator Sec.	\$16.06	Hr
Hwy Supt	\$10,800.00	Yr
Emergency Manager	\$9,000.00	Yr
Veterans Service Admin	\$2,100.00	Yr
Weed Superintendent	\$5,400.00	Yr
Economic Dev Coordinator	\$25.00	Hr
Courthouse Maintenance	\$3,000.00	Yr

Chairman Unger adjourned the meeting at 11:50 A.M.	
The next meeting will be October 13, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.	
Hayes County Clerk	Board Chairman